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Doth an eternal vigil keep.

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Can lull its hundred eyes to sleep.

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## JAPANESE-RUSSIAN WAR.

### THE RUSSIANS ARE ACTIVE AROUND MUKDEN AND ARE FIGHTING HARD.

Three Vessels Sunk By Mines. Two Torpedo Boats and a Steamer. All Were Japanese. Such is the Report From a Russian Source. Japan Lost 7,000 Men at Port Arthur.

Outpost skirmishes constitute the sum total of disclosed activities on the Liao and Taitse rivers in Manchuria. General Kuropatkin is reported to be keeping in contact with the entire Japanese front. Russian scouts report that the main Japanese force is centered in the vicinity of the Yental mines. Fresh troops and convalescents are arriving at Mukden in large numbers. The railway north from Mukden is proving of much value to General Kuropatkin in bringing supplies for his army as well as reinforcements. Chinese arriving at Chefoo report that Japanese attacks on Port Arthur have resulted in heavy losses to the assailing forces while the Russians suffered comparatively little.

Field Marshal Oyama has begun the long expected advance upon the Russian army at Mukden, and a coincident movement against Simintin is indicated by the fact that the Japanese have occupied Siaobeyho, west of the Liao River. There is a concentration of Japanese forces in the vicinity of the Yental mines, and the advance lines are being gradually pushed eastward. General Sakharoff in the dispatches to the War Office at St. Petersburg reports successes in several engagements of a minor character.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 30.—The general staff has received news that in the general assault on Port Arthur from September 20 to September 26 the Japanese were everywhere repulsed.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 30.—From a reliable source the Associated Press hears that sharp fighting has occurred near Mukden, resulting in the Japanese driving in General Kuropatkin's outposts.

London, Sept. 28.—A dispatch to a news agency from Vladivostok says that according to reports from Port Arthur two Japanese torpedo boats and a Japanese steamer have been sunk by mines near Port Arthur during the last few days. A Japanese cruiser of the Nitaka type, it is also added, was badly damaged.

Chefoo, Sept. 28.—Russians residing here claim to have received information that the Japanese losses in the last assault on Port Arthur which began September 19, were seven thousand. A Chinese who left the fortress on September 26, says that the Russian losses were between 500 and 600.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 28.—The latest official advices from the front are silent on the subject of the Japanese flanking movements east and west of Mukden, from which the War Office concludes that Field Marshal Oyama has not yet begun to press his advance from Suanchan, or up the Liao river valley, indicating that there is still further delay in the general advance. The Associated Press is now authorized definitely to deny the report that the Japanese in any force have crossed the Hun river about 50 miles from Mukden.

## TEN CENT COTTON AN ULTIMATUM.

Two cotton conventions were held on Tuesday last. The cotton growers met at St. Louis, and the cotton mill men at Charlotte. The latter decided to advance the prices of yarns 2 cents a pound. They say they will shut down their mills unless they can get the prices named in the new schedule. Nearly half a million spindles were represented at the Charlotte meeting and undoubtedly the new selling prices will be adhered to. They certainly should be. The mill men are entitled to fair profits, and at present they are not earning them.

The Cotton Growers' Association met at St. Louis, and it was largely attended. The association proposes to organize a corporation which is to build warehouses to hold surplus cotton, thereby preventing a glutting of the market. The plan adopted is known as the "Waco plan."

In the meanwhile the association urges the cotton growers to withhold from the market all middling cotton that does not command 10 cents. The association drew the line at the right point when it named 10 cents as the acceptable minimum. The ARGUS has repeatedly asked the farmers to hold all cotton that will not bring 10 cents. There is no top crop, and rust and shedding have made inroads upon the middle and bottom crops. Expert observers are modifying their estimates of the crop. It is not to be a record maker. The warm dry weather is increasing port receipts to high figures, but those figures are no indication of the size of the crop.

We say again, store all cotton for which you cannot secure 10 cents. Don't sell a pound of good cotton for less. Freeze out the bears. A naked world will come to your aid if you will only stand firm.

### Snake Grew in Dog.

LaGrange Sentinel.

Mr. R. C. Croom killed a large white oak snake just inside of his front gate Saturday night.

This makes fourteen white oak snakes he has killed within a month. Mr. Croom tells a remarkable story about a dog which belongs to his father and which was bitten by a white oak snake.

Several weeks after the dog was bitten it sickened and died. Out of curiosity Mr. Croom cut the dog open and found a white oak snake two feet long clinging to the dog's liver. Now its up to the science to explain this phenomenon. We had often heard of such snake stories. But had always doubted till Mr. Croom told us that he witnessed the circumstances himself.

He is a truthful man.

### COSTS NOTHING IF IT FAILS

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## THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Of the Wayne County Sunday School Association, to Be Held at Daniels' Chapel, Saturday and Sunday, October the 15 and 16, 1904.

### OFFICERS.

H. B. Parker, Jr., President  
J. W. Thompson, Vice President  
Rev. J. W. Bryan, Secretary  
John M. Mitchell, Treasurer

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. W. Thompson, G. W. Edgerton,  
Geo. S. Pritchard, R. P. Raiford.

### COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS.

William Daniel, Chairman, L. D. Summerlin,  
H. C. Murphrey, W. F. Brogden,  
Charlie Brown.

J. W. SADLER,  
Musical Director.

### TOWNSHIP PRESIDENTS.

Geo. S. Prichard, Goldsboro  
John M. Mitchell, Fork  
T. J. Hood, Granthams  
M. T. Cox, Brogden  
J. G. Summerlin, Indian Springs  
W. D. Herring, New Hope  
J. Hiram Best, Saulston  
W. D. Howell, Nahunta  
W. E. Pearson, Pikeville  
Stoney Creek

### SATURDAY MORNING.

10 00 Song Service.  
10 20 Devotional Period, Rev. H. E. Tripp.  
10 30 Address by County President.  
10 45 Address by Rev. J. W. Bryan. Subject, "The Sunday School Teacher's Opportunity for Self-Improvement."  
11 00 Address by Prof. S. M. Smith, of Raleigh.  
12 00 Appointment of Committees on County Statistical Report, on awarding the Banner, on time and place for the next Convention, and on resolutions.  
12 05 Collection and adjournment for dinner.

### SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

2 00 Song Service.  
2 10 Conference of Superintendents on School Management, led by Rev. J. W. Bryan.  
2 50 Address by Prof. S. M. Smith, of Raleigh, State Sunday School Secretary.  
3 10 Report of the condition and of the value of the work in the different townships by Township Presidents and Workers, J. M. Mitchell, E. Godwin, S. J. Hood, M. T. Cox, R. P. Raiford, J. A. Thomas and G. W. Edgerton.  
3 40 Report of the committee and adjournment.

### SUNDAY MORNING.

9 30 Song Service.  
9 50 Bible Reading, on the Sunday School Lesson for October 16th, 1904, by Rev. Hight C. Moore.  
10 15 Music.  
10 20 Address by Thad Jones, Jr., Kenansville, N. C.  
10 50 Music.  
11 00 Convention Sermon by Rev. Plato Durham.  
11 35 Music and an Invitation to the Unconverted.  
11 50 Collection by Rev. A. R. Morgan.  
12 00 Dinner.

### AFTERNOON.

2 00 Song Service.  
2 10 Round Table Discussion conducted by J. W. Bryan.  
2 35 Address by Rev. Hight C. Moore.  
3 10 The Home Department and Cradle Roll.  
3 20 Teachers Conference.  
3 40 Report of Committee on Resolution and Closing Exercises.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

All Sunday school workers and ministers of the gospel are earnestly requested to be present. Young people's Hymnal will be used and we hope that all who have a copy will bring it out to the Convention. All delegates who desire to get homes in Goldsboro, will please notify Capt. J. E. Peterson, before the 12th of October.

### Public Speaking.

Hon. Frank A. Daniels, of this city, chairman of the County Democratic Executive Committee, will address the voters of Fremont, on Saturday, October 8th, at 3 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Daniels is a splendid speaker, thoroughly conversant with the issues of this campaign, and the people always hear him gladly.

Everybody is cordially invited. In answer to repeated enquiries, we will state in this connection that the county candidates and nominees for the Legislature will start on their speaking tour over the county about the 20th of October.

### WAS LOCKED UP.

Sanford Express.

A man by the name of Guy was arrested here Wednesday upon the charge of trying to induce operatives to leave the Sanford Cotton Mill and take employment in the cotton mill at Laurinburg. He also tried to get operatives from the Jonesboro and Cameron cotton mills. He was given a hearing before Mayor Chisholm and fined \$25.00 and costs. He wired his people for the money to pay the fine but failing to hear from them he was locked up in the guard house. He says when he gets out of this trouble he expects to leave the state and go to Florida.

## GOSSIP OF THE WORLD.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM DIVERS SOURCES.

The Latest Telegraphic News of the Day Boiled Down to a Focus For Busy Readers.

London, Oct. 1.—According to the Morning Post's Shanghai correspondent, it is reported there that the Japanese have been victorious in a general engagement at Mukden.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 30.—General Sakharoff reports that between September 16 and 29 there were several skirmishes in the Yental district, all of which resulted favorably to the Russians.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 30.—Governor Bates to-day issued a proclamation announcing the death of Senator Hoar, recounting his eminent public services and ordering flags on public buildings half-masted.

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 30.—Stephen W. Townley, an employee of the Marine Ways, is dead of sunstroke. This is the first fatal sunstroke recorded in the history of Mobile. All heat records for September have been broken.

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 30.—Col. E. L. Russell, was to-day elected first vice-president of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, and R. V. Taylor general manager, by the board of directors in New York. Colonel Russell will have his headquarters in St. Louis.

Snow Hill, N. C., Oct. 1. We get information of another cotton gin accident. The victim was Mr. J. H. Hardy, a prosperous farmer in the Ormondville section of Greene county. Dr. Palmer of Hookerton was called to render medical aid. We were not able to learn whether or not amputation was necessary.

Madison, Wis., 30.—The Supreme court to-day adjourned until October 18 without rendering a decision in the LaFollette case. Unless the court decides the case October 18 or the day following Secretary of State Houser will be free to certify to the county clerk's name of the LaFollette candidates, of whom he himself is one.

Harbin, Sept. 30.—Russian scouts have ascertained that fresh Japanese forces are concentrating at the Yental mines and gradually moving eastward. A strong Japanese force west of the Liao valley has occupied Siaobeyho, south of Simintin. A company of Chinese bandits last night attempted to wreck the railroad near the station of Fantziatum, 150 miles south of Harbin. They killed a sentinel and caused slight damage. A detachment of guards was sent in pursuit of the bandits.

Baltimore, Oct. 1.—Robert Wetzel, a 16 year old boy was committed for court to-day charged with attempting to poison Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rhoda. Wetzel lived with the family and was loitering in Mrs. Rhoda's kitchen, while she was preparing supper last night. She had put coffee on the stove to cook and when she went to serve it she discovered a thick green substance on the top. She called her husband and he gave it as his opinion that Paris green had been put in the pot.

Columbia, S. C., Oct. 1.—John Morrison shot and killed Will Floyd, a farmer, in the main street of Kershaw today. Floyd asked Morrison to lend him ten cents, and on being told that he had no change, Morrison fired two shots, one lodging in Floyd's back and the other in his arm. This is the fourth man that Morrison has killed, his last victim being a negro for whose murder he was acquitted. Morrison tried to escape, but was captured and there were many threats of lynching.

## REGISTRATION THIS YEAR.

Important Information for Election Officers and Voters. Raleigh News-Observer.

In the absence of Attorney General Gilmer, who is speaking every day in the campaign, State Chairman Simmons requested Pou & Fuller to give him an opinion upon certain portions of the Election Law about which information is desired by election officers and voters. Complying with the request of the State Chairman, the opinion was rendered yesterday. It is as follows:

Hon. F. M. Simmons, Chairman State Democratic Executive Committee, Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir: At your request, we have examined certain portions of the Election Law. Without troubling you with our reasons, we will give our conclusions upon the points suggested by you.

(1) We do not think that a general new registration is necessary this year.

(2) We think the registration books used in 1902 should be revised. The names of voters who have died since that time, removed to other precincts, or who have otherwise become ineligible, should be stricken from the list; and the names of all qualified voters then remaining on the old books should be transcribed by the registrar upon the new books, and on this new book all new registrations should be made. The law certainly permits this, if it does not require it, and we think this course should be followed.

(3) Where a new precinct has been formed, of course an entirely new registration in that precinct is necessary, there being for it no old registration. We think it will be necessary, not only to have a new registration in the new precinct, but we think it will be necessary to have new registrations in all of the old precincts from which the new one was formed. We do not see how this can be avoided.

(4) The names of all voters who are entitled to registration under the grandfather clause, and who this year so register, should be certified in the same manner as was provided for the certification of such voters at the last election, so that their names may be inscribed upon the permanent rolls.

With much respect, we are,  
Yours truly,  
POU & FULLER.

Laurinburg, N. C., Oct. 1.—The farmers are considerably put out over the price of cotton which has fallen from 10½ to 9½ during the last few days. Not a few of them are inclined to hold and take chances on a better price later on. They say the crop will undoubtedly be short in spite of Mr. Price's efforts to create a great crop from his office in New York; that the place to make cotton is in the fields of Dixie, and with a gray mule and not with a pad and pencil.

### Letter to D. McN. MacKay.

Goldsboro, N. C.

Dear Sir: We know what the paints are all made of; you know; we have to. In Wilson, N. C., are two dealers. One of 'em thinks he can't sell paint for more than \$1 a gallon; the other won't have such stuff in his store—sells Devoe lead-and-zinc, of course.

The \$1 paint is adulterated 76 per cent; Devoe is all lead and zinc and linseed oil, with as little good dryer as possible. A gallon of Devoe has in it a little more paint than four gallons of the other. A gallon of Devoe will cover as much as four of the other. Who wants to pay wages for painting four gallons for one?

How much is Devoe lead-and-zinc worth in that town?

Yours truly,  
F. W. DEVOE & Co.  
P. S.—Smith & Yelverton sell our paint.